

MEDICAL MARIJUANA/CANNABIS TASK FORCE

MEETING SUMMARY FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2002 @ 12 NOON

EXECUTIVE COMPLEX - 5TH FLOOR 1010 SECOND AVENUE

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Attendees:

The following Task Force members were in attendance: Chair: Juliana Humphrey, St. Clair Adams, Dale Kelly-Bankhead, Dr. Best, Larry Chaidez, Michael Bartelmo, Mike Barbee. Staff: Ed Plank, Alison Glennon, Elmer Heap, Lisa Foster, Staa Heshimu, Assistant Chief George Saldamando, Capt. Glenn Breitenstein, Lt. Carl Black and Sgt. David Rohowits.

Summary from August 16, 2002, approved with no changes.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Report of Meeting with Councilmember Atkins, Police Chief and City Attorney

Juliana discussed the results of the meeting. A good faith effort is being made by the parties involved and that the forum to voice concerns will be at the upcoming PS&NS Committee Meeting scheduled for October 16. If the committee approves the guidelines and so does the full Council, then PD will support the Council's final decision. Discussions took place regarding the safe harbor aspect of the guidelines. All parties are to submit their documents for the meeting, on or around October 10. Atkins would like to finish this issue up on October 16.

Presentation Details for upcoming PS&NS Meeting Oct 16

A lengthy document is being prepared by Juliana for submittal to PS&NS, the expected date is around October 10 for distribution. Copies will be handed out to the Task Force and all affected parties prior to the meeting.

RFP Re-issuance Details

The RFP will be slightly revised and re-issued shortly. A new list of prospective candidates will be drawn up to include suitable non-profits and other potential agencies. The RFP should go out sometime in October, with possible interviews in November. A possible start-up date for the ID Card Program

would be early next year, if a suitable organization is found.

John Redman

John Redman, Executive Director of Prevention Coalition Education, spoke on regarding medical marijuana. His comments were particularly aimed at our youth and dealing with drug abuse on a daily basis. Mr. Redman read the Task Force's proposed guidelines and submitted his own for review.

Public Comment

Barbara brought in copies of a letter signed by U.S. Attorney Carol Lam which was handed to Steve by a DEA agent, while he was out running errands. Barbara requested that the Task Force help with Steve's situation and spoke of joining a potential lawsuit to help protect State's rights.

Mike Barbee spoke of forming a Patient Advocacy Sub-Committee, which Steve was previously the Chair of, a motion was made and approved to form. A suggestion was made to hold the meetings at the Mission Valley Library. Dates and times to TBA.